



**Institute of Electrical and Electronics
Engineers, Inc.**

Antennas and Propagation Society

Constitution

Effective Date: ~~September 29, 2024~~





Contents

Article I – Name and Objectives.....	1
Section 1: Name.....	1
Section 2: Objectives.....	1
Section 3: Information Exchange.....	1
Article II – Field of Interest.....	1
Section 1: Field of Interest.....	1
Section 2: Changes in the Field of Interest.....	1
Article III – Membership.....	1
Section 1: Members.....	1
Section 2: Affiliates.....	1
Article IV – Governance.....	2
Section 1: Administrative Committee.....	2
Section 2: Terms of Elected Members.....	2
Section 3: Election of President-Elect.....	2
Section 4: Term Origination.....	2
Section 5: Voting Rights of President and President-Elect.....	2
Section 6: Vice Presidents.....	2
Section 7: Secretary.....	2
Section 8: Treasurer.....	2
Section 9: Director of Intersociety Collaboration.....	2
Section 10: Officer Designation, Duties, and Responsibilities.....	3
Section 11: Bursar.....	3
Section 12: Debts.....	3
Section 13: Subgroups.....	3
Article V – Financial Support.....	3
Section 1: Membership Fee.....	3
Section 2: Registration Fees.....	3
Section 3: Other Revenues.....	3
Article VI – Amendments.....	3
Section 1: Amendments to Constitution.....	3
Section 2: Bylaws and Amendments Thereto.....	4



Article I – Name and Objectives

Section 1: Name

This organization shall be known as the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc. (IEEE) Antennas and Propagation Society, hereinafter called the Society.

Section 2: Objectives

The Society's objectives shall be scientific, literary, and educational in character. The Society shall strive for the advancement of the theory and practice of electrical and electronics engineering and of the allied arts and sciences and the maintenance of a high professional standing among its members and affiliates, all in consonance with the Constitution and Bylaws of the IEEE and with special attention to such aims within the field of interest of the Society as are hereinafter defined.

Section 3: Information Exchange

The Society shall aid in promoting close cooperation and exchange of technical information among its members and affiliates. To this end, the Society shall hold and sponsor symposia, conferences, conventions, and topical meetings for the presentation and discussion of papers and shall support a publications program. Through its committees, the Society shall study and provide for the needs of its members and affiliates.

Article II – Field of Interest

Section 1: Field of Interest

The field of interest of the Society includes: antennas, including analysis, design, development, measurement, standards and testing; radiation, propagation, and the interaction of electromagnetic waves with discrete and continuous media; and applications and systems pertinent to antennas, propagation, and sensing, such as applied optics, millimeter- and sub-millimeter- wave techniques, antenna signal processing and control, radio astronomy, bioelectromagnetics, and propagation and radiation aspects of terrestrial and space-based communication, including wireless, mobile, satellite, and telecommunications at all frequencies.

Section 2: Changes in the Field of Interest

The field of interest of the Society may be enlarged, reduced, or shifted moderately as the needs of the occasion indicate, with the provision that such revisions shall be processed as outlined in the IEEE Technical Activities Board (TAB) Operations Manual.

Article III – Membership

Section 1: Members

Membership in the Society shall be available to members of the IEEE in any grade, including students, having a professional interest in any portion of the field of interest of the Society.

A member's grade within the Society shall be the same as that member's IEEE grade, with the rights and privileges associated with that grade per IEEE Bylaws.

Section 2: Affiliates

~~The Affiliates' qualifications, rights, and privileges of Affiliates are established by the Technical Activities Board and outlined in the TAB Operations Manual, and they may participate in Society activities as, as provided by the IEEE Bylaws and TAB Operations~~



~~Manual, and are subject to the applicable IEEE rules and regulations and any privileges defined by the Society Bylaws.~~

Article IV – Governance

Section 1: Administrative Committee

The Society shall be managed by an Administrative Committee (hereinafter called the AdCom) of members of the Society. The committee composition shall be as follows: the presiding President, the President-Elect, twelve AdCom members elected by ~~membership at large voting members (as defined in the IEEE Bylaws and by IEEE policy)~~ ~~the membership at large~~, and the four ~~most recent~~ ~~recently served~~ ~~most junior~~ past Presidents. There may also be *ex-officio* members as prescribed in the Bylaws (Section 4.2). Election procedures for the elected members of the AdCom are prescribed in the Bylaws (Section 5).

Section 2: Terms of Elected Members

The terms of the twelve elected members of the AdCom shall be for three years, with four members elected each year. Two consecutive full terms are permitted, with eligibility restored after a lapse of one year. The President and President-Elect serve one-year terms. The President-Elect is eligible to be re-elected to the position of President-Elect three years after the origination of his/her original term in office.

Section 3: Election of President-Elect

The Society shall annually elect a present or past elected member of the AdCom as President-Elect, whose term shall be one year. The President-Elect shall serve as President the following year. If the President-Elect is unable or unwilling to serve as President, the Society shall elect both a President and President-Elect in the annual election.

Section 4: Term Origination

The newly elected President, President-Elect, and members of the AdCom shall assume office on the first of January immediately following their election or as soon thereafter as practical. They shall continue in office until newly elected replacement members for their seats have been duly elected and have taken office.

Section 5: Voting Rights of President and President-Elect

The President and President-Elect shall be voting members of the AdCom during their terms in office as President or President-Elect.

Section 6: Vice Presidents

The President shall appoint Vice Presidents annually for a one-year term. The officers are *ex-officio*, non-voting members of the AdCom. They may be reappointed.

Section 7: Secretary

The President shall appoint a Secretary annually for a one-year term. The ~~Secretary officer~~ is an *ex-officio*, non-voting member of the AdCom, and need not be an elected member of the AdCom.. They may be reappointed.

Section 8: Treasurer

The President shall appoint a Treasurer annually for a one-year term. The ~~Treasurer officer~~ is an *ex-officio*, non-voting member of the AdCom, and need not be an elected member of the AdCom. They may be reappointed.



Section 9: Director of Intersociety Collaboration

The President shall appoint a Director of Intersociety Collaboration annually for a one-year term. ~~The officer~~ The Director of Intersociety collaboration is an ex officio-, non-voting membermember, non-voting of the AdCom. They may be reappointed.

Section 10: Officer Designation, Duties, and Responsibilities

The officers of the AdCom, designated as the President, the President-Elect, Vice Presidents, Secretary, Treasurer, and Director of Intersociety Collaboration, have duties and responsibilities that are defined in the Bylaws.

Section 11: Bursar

The AdCom shall use the IEEE as bursar for all Society funds, as provided by the IEEE Bylaws and rules and regulations. If any Society funds are received and deposited separately (as in the case for accounts for symposia and conferences), the terms and conditions shall be in accordance with IEEE policies, and subject to the provisions of the Society Bylaws and to any special limitations imposed by the AdCom.

Section 12: Debts

Neither the Society, nor any AdCom member or representative thereof, shall have any authority to contract debts for, pledge the credit of, or in any way bind the IEEE except within prior approved budgets.

Section 13: Subgroups

Subgroups may be formed within the Society as provided in the IEEE rules and regulations. The nature and designation of the subgroups and supervision of their affairs shall be prescribed in the Bylaws.

Article V – Financial Support

Section 1: Membership Fee

The Society shall collect from its members and affiliates an annual membership fee, in accordance with the IEEE Bylaws and applicable rules and regulations. The amount of the fee shall be as established by the AdCom (Bylaws Section 9.2).

Section 2: Registration Fees

The Society may make registration charges at its meetings, symposia, conferences, and conventions. The registration fee for non-members of the IEEE may be higher than that for IEEE members or affiliates.

Section 3: Other Revenues

The Society may raise revenues by other means, such as advertising, exhibits, requests for contributions, and charges for sending out notices to non-Society members, provided such means are consistent with applicable IEEE rules and regulations, and do not encroach on revenue fields previously established by other Societies.

Article VI – Amendments

Section 1: Amendments to Constitution

Amendments to the Society's Constitution may be proposed in two ways. Amendments may be proposed by the AdCom or through a petition submitted by at least ~~100 members~~ 1% of voting members of the Society. Copies of the proposed amendments shall be distributed to all



members of the AdCom at least three weeks prior to voting. ~~Two-thirds of the votes legally cast (cast in accordance with established voting procedures) by the AdCom~~ A two-thirds vote in the affirmative shall be required to move the proposed Amendment(s) forward through the approval process. Proposed amendments are then submitted to the Vice President of Technical Activities for approval. After such approval, the proposed amendment(s) shall be published in at least one of the Society's publications or otherwise publicized by direct mailing (print or electronic) to the membership, with notice that the changes will go into effect unless ten percent of the Society members object within three weeks. If such objections are received, a copy of the proposed amendment(s) shall be ~~distributed~~mailed with a by ballot to all voting members of the Society (as defined in IEEE Bylaws and by IEEE policy)~~members of the Society~~ at least three weeks before the date appointed for return of the ballots. The ballots shall carry a statement of the time limit for their return to the IEEE office. When a ~~mail~~ vote of the entire Society voting membership is made necessary, approval of the amendment(s) by at least two thirds of the ~~returned ballots legally cast~~ shall be necessary for individual amendment adoption.

Section 2: ~~Bylaws and Amendments to Bylaws~~Thereto

Bylaws may be adopted or changed by a two-thirds vote ~~legally cast (cast in accordance with established voting procedures)~~ by the AdCom members present at a regular or special meeting, provided that notice of the proposed Bylaw or Bylaw Amendment has been ~~sent mailed~~ (via ~~first class~~, express delivery service, or electronic means in accordance with IEEE policy) to each Officer and each AdCom member at least three weeks prior to such a meeting. ~~A Bylaw or Amendments to the Bylaws thereto~~ may also be adopted ~~without a meeting~~, by a two-thirds affirmative vote (~~conducted by first class mail, express delivery service, or electronic means in accordance with IEEE policy~~) of all eligible voting members~~the members~~ of the AdCom ~~outside of a meeting~~, provided a three-week period is provided for such responses. Proposed amendments are then submitted to the Vice President, Technical Activities for approval. After such approval, the proposed amendment(s) shall be published in at least one of the Society's publications or otherwise publicized by direct mailing (print or electronic) to the membership. Bylaws Amendments shall become effective three weeks after publication.